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REHABILITATION OF KAZAKHS IN SINKIANG

AGRICULTURAL AID TO KAZAKHS IN SINKIANG -- Sinkiang Jih-pao, 11 Mar 49

To aid in the placement and to solve the livelihood problem of Kazakhs returning from Tsinghai, the Sinkiang Provincial Government will undertake the development of agricultural lands in Chen-hsi Hsien. The amount of agricultural production in this hsien is not sufficient to serve the current influx of Kazakhs who, at this rapid rate, will soon constitute one half the population of the entire hsien.

A survey made last year indicates two arable sections in Chen-hsi:
 (1) Ta-lu-kou -- There is irrigation here for 200 Kazakh families, but the soil is barren. It is also close to the border, making administration difficult. (2) Hsu-chou -- This is close to the city and the soil is fertile. Houses and structures can be built easily due to convenient access to lumber materials. Five kilometers away is a prairie which affords grazing for livestock. Two hundred families can be accommodated here. Great benefits would result from distribution of this land among the Kazakhs.

Farm implements, seeds, and other essentials required by the Kazakhs will be furnished. Last year the Provincial Government released to the Mu-wei-ho Hsien administration relief goods -- tea, sugar, cloth, and sheep - for these tribesmen. These will be supplemented.

The Chen-hsi Hsien administration will make a thorough examination before formulating plans for the apportioning of farm land, irrigation, purchase of tools, and distribution of seeds.

MONGOLIAN-KAZAKH SCHOOL IN SINKIANG -- Sinkiang Jih-pao, 13 Mar 49

A Mongolian-Kazakh school, established at Ti-hum some years ago and terminated during the regime of ex-Governor Sheng Shih-ts'ai, is being

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revived by the Sinkiang Provincial Department of Education in compliance with the pleas of the people of these two races.

The former site of the school is now being used as a training center for Health Department personnel. Prior to that, it was used by a military agency. The Provincial Government has authorized the Supply Bureau to transfer the premises to the Education Department.

Employing an abridged normal-school type of curriculum, the institution previously provided Mongolian and Kazakh students with a middle-school education and achieved considerable success.

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